City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – Monday, February 24, 2014

The Bonner Springs City Council met in regular session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, February 24, 2014.

Governing Body Present: Mayor Jeff Harrington; Councilmembers: Tom Stephens, George Cooper, Bob Reeves, Joe Peterson, Jack Knight, Eric Freeman and Roger Shannon

Governing Body Absent: Racheal Haas

City Staff Present: Jack Helin, City Manager; Rita Hoag, City Clerk; Tillie Laplante, Finance Director and David Arteberry, Financial Advisor, George K. Baum and Company

The Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and asked for a moment of silence to honor Representative Mike Peterson.

Item No. 1 – Citizen Concerns About Items Not on Today’s Agenda – None Presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Mayor read the Consent Agenda Items 2 through 5 and asked the Staff, audience or City Council if they wished to remove an item for separate consideration. No items were removed.

Item No. 2 – Minutes of the February 10, 2014 City Council Meeting – Presented for approval.

Item No. 3 – Claims for City Operations – February 24, 2014 – Presented for approval were the Supplement Claims in the amount of $30,657.37 and Regular Claims in the amount of $577,655.44.

Item No. 4 – Public Housing Authority Claims – February 24, 2014 – Presented for approval in the amount of $14,032.41.

Item No. 5 – Appointments to Boards and Commissions – Library Board: Reappointment of Jane Rink and Emily Thomas-Dykes for a four-year term to expire April 2018. Senior Center Advisory Board: Appointment of Jacqueline Lee for a three-year term to expire March 2017 to replace the position held by Deanna Hutchison.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

Cooper made a Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Stephens seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of seven to zero.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Item No. 6 – Resolution to Authorize the Bond Sale for 2014-A General Obligation Bonds in the Total Approximate Amount of $2,010,000 – David Arteberry, George K. Baum and Company, introduced himself and made a presentation as follows:

➤ The Resolution authorizes the sale of General Obligation Bonds in the amount of $2,010,000.
➤ Proceeds from the bonds will pay off a temporary note which funded the 134 Street Utility Relocation Project for an amount of $1,150,000. Additional proceeds will refinance the City’s Series 2004-A bonds in the amount of $860,000.
➤ The Sale of the Bonds will be held on March 24, 2014 at 1 p.m.

Reeves made a Motion to Approve a Resolution to Authorize the Bond Sale for the 2014 G.O. Bonds in the Total Approximate Amount of $2,010,000. Shannon seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of seven to zero. Assigned Resolution No. 2014-04.

Item No. 7 – Redemption of a Portion of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2006-A – David Arteberry, G. K. Baum and Company, made a presentation as follows:

➤ The authorization of the redemption will allow the City to use surplus Library sales tax funds to pay off a portion of the 2006-A Library Bonds in an amount of $405,000.
➤ The early redemption will save the City approximately $43,000 in interest cost.
➤ Staff requests the City Council authorize City Staff to make additional redemptions in the future and to notify the City Council of such additional redemptions.

Stephens made a Motion to Authorize the Redemption of General Obligation Bonds Series 2006-A in the Amount of $405,000 Effective April 15, 2014 and Authorize Staff to Make Future Additional Redemptions as Determined Appropriate and Report Such Redemption to the City Council. Reeves seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of seven to zero.

Item No. 8 – City Manager’s Report – No additional items added.
Item No. 9 – City Council Items –
➤ Cooper expressed his support of the Community Garden.
➤ Reeves asked to place an item on the next City Council agenda to increase the Cemetery Advisory Committee membership. The Cemetery Advisory Committee would like to have a sign installed at the Cemetery to raise awareness of a future project. He expressed his appreciation that Public Works filled some pot holes.
➤ Peterson thanked everyone for their support after his father’s death.

Item No. 10 – Mayor’s Report –
➤ Attended a training seminar last week and learned about Parliamentary Procedure.
➤ Participated in the County Administrator interview process for the Unified Government.
➤ Will attend Mayor Holland’s State of the Government address.
➤ Commended Public Works on the work done to fill pot holes.
➤ Asked Councilmembers to continue to notify City Hall staff about street light or stop light outages.
➤ The Community Garden is a great asset to the City.
➤ Cooper stated the stop light at Cedar and K-32 takes a long time to change and Reeves stated large trucks speed through the intersection to beat the light.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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Rita Hoag, City Clerk